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MONTREAL FOR ICAO REP

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, US, JA, KS, PEPR, UR

SUBJECT: RECOVERY OF THE DOWNED KAL AIRCRAFT

REF: (A) STATE 114522, (B) STATE 113549 AND PREVIOUS

1. AT MEETING WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS USA DIVISION
DEPUTY CHIEF SOKOLOV MAY 5, POL COUNSELOR, WITHOUT HAVING
TO MENTION EITHER ARTICLE 26 OR ANNEX 13 OF THE ICAO CON-
VENTION, PER REF A RAISED THE ISSUES OF: (A) RETURN OF THE
VOICE AND FLIGHT RECORDERS, PREFERABLY THROUGH COMMERCIAL
CHANNELS, TO KAL (NO MENTION WAS MADE OF NTSB OFFER); (B)
THE ADVISABILITY OF SEEKING RECOVERY OF THE KAL AIRCRAFT;
(C) WHETHER THE KAL AIRCRAFT IS RECOVERABLE; (D) WHETHER
BOEING EXPERTS COULD SURVEY THE AIRCRAFT, IN ORDER TO
DETERMINE THE OPTIONS AND COSTS OF RECOVERY; AND (E) WHICH
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SOVIET ENTERPRISE SHOULD BE CONTACTED, IN ORDER TO CARRY
OUT THE SURVEY AND RECOVERY OF THE KAL AIRCRAFT THROUGH
NORMAL COMMERCIAL CHANNELS. IN ADDITION, POL COUNSELOR
ASKED WHETHER THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE INCIDENT HAD BEEN
COMPLETED.

2. SOKOLOV RESPONDED THAT (A) HE WOULD PASS ON THE REQUEST

FOR THE RETURN OF THE RECORDERS; (B) THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE LANDING AND THE LOCAL CONDITIONS EXCLUDED THE POSSIBILITY OF TAKE-OFF OR TRANSPORT OF THE AIRCRAFT; AND (C) THAT AS FAR AS HE KNEW, THE INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

3. IN ADDITION, SOKOLOV ASKED POL COUNSELOR WHETHER THE

APPROACH RESULTED ENTIRELY FROM REQUEST BY ROKG. IN ORDER TO AVOID LEAVING THIS IMPRESSION, POL COUNSELOR RESPONDED THAT APPROACH RESULTED NOT ONLY FROM REQUEST BY ROKG BUT ALSO FROM THE FACT THAT THE MATTER INVOLVED SUCH ISSUES AS THE INSURANCE COMPANY, THE ORIGINAL OWNER OF THE AIRCRAFT, AND BOEING. TOON

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Message Attributes

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